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AMENDMENT

Dear SIR:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated December 31, 2002 in the above-captioned application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any payment due in connection with these papers, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

In the Specification:

At page 1, line 20, immediately below "**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**", please add the following two paragraphs:

Sub G The present invention provides a method for supplementing the diet of an athlete, comprising administering as part of the diet an effective